

MCA Summer Care FAQ

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How do I secure my spot for summer care?

Summer care students are preschool (3) through completed 5th grade.

You must create a profile in our brightwheel program. Once your paperwork has been submitted, you will be sent a \$50 non-refundable registration fee invoice. That fee must be paid in order for your spot to be held and secured. If you are new to MCA, you can email mcaoffice.1109@gmail.com to get started.

What time does the program begin and end?

Summer Care runs 7:15 AM - 6:00 PM daily, M-F, June 1 - August 14, 2026. Closed 7/3/26.

Do I have to drop off at 7:15?

No. The kids will have a morning snack around 8:30 and then start their rotations (Bible, Rec, Art, etc.) around 9:00 AM daily. You can drop off anytime, but we request that you communicate with us if drop off will be after 9:00 AM.

Can my child take a nap?

We do offer nap for children ages 3 - entering kindergarten.

What do the kids do each day?

They will start the day with a worship time, then have a snack, then they will have rotations (Bible, Rec, Art, etc.) with kids their age. Some days they will have the option to go to the Monticello Family Aquatic Center in the afternoon. After rotations, is pool prep and lunch. If it's their pool day, they will go to the pool. Those who nap will do so after lunch. If it's not their pool day, they will stay at MCA for STEM activities, free play, or a trip to Forest Preserve Park. After the afternoon snack, the kids will play in various spaces around the building until pick up. We often plan field trips, outside activities to be brought in, water days, park trips, etc.

Does my child have to go to the pool?

No, we can have staffing available to take care of them at MCA.

How do I sign my child up to go to the pool?

In order for your child to attend pool trips, you will have to buy a pool pass from Monticello Family Aquatic Center. You will also need to set up an account with Piattran for them, as that is our method of transportation to and from the pool.

How do I communicate with MCA Summer Care staff?

You will need to sign up for a brightwheel account and download the brightwheel app. All communication with parents will be done through the app.

Do I send a lunch?

Yes, you'll need to send a lunch for your child each day. We have a microwave and can warm things up, if needed. There will be an optional pizza day on Wednesdays where you can order pizza for your child that we will get from Dominos and serve to those who have ordered.

Do you offer any discounts?

Yes, we do offer a 10% pay in full discount as well as a 10% sibling discount.

Can I take a vacation week?

Yes, you may choose to take a one week vacation when your child will not attend summer care and you will not be required to pay any fees.

Do I need to provide sunscreen for my child?

No. MCA will provide sunscreen for summer care students. If your child has allergies, you may send alternate sunscreen for MCA staff to use on your child.

Do you provide snacks?

Yes. MCA will provide one morning snack and one afternoon snack each day.